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FROM:

CC/Chief Counsel

SUBJECT:

Determination Regarding Attendance by NASA Employees at the Brevard

Community College Space & Astronomy Lecture Series, September 4, 2009

Brevard Community College is sponsoring the premiere Lecture in their Space & Astronomy Lecture Series at the Planetarium and Observatory on September 4, 2009. Immediately preceding the lecture there will be a reception for invited guests.

Approximately 100 - 125 invited guests are expected to attend the reception. These guests include NASA senior management and employees, local aerospace contractors, community leaders, members of academia, and representatives from state and local Government. The cost per person for the reception is approximately \$10.

I find this event meets the requirements of a "widely attended gathering" as defined in 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g). I further determine that there is an Agency interest in attendance at this event. The reception will provide employees the opportunity to discuss matters of interest to NASA with a diverse group of fellow attendees interested in our activities and to show support for NASA's mission and vision for space exploration. Accordingly, NASA employees whose duties do not substantially affect the sponsors may accept free attendance at the event.

NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect the sponsor, such as by way of procurement duties, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding participation in this event from the Chief Counsel's Office.

Jerald D. Stubbs Agency Designee

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